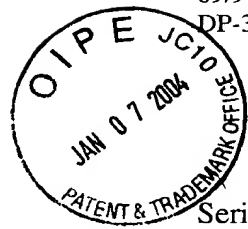


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AMENDMENT AND REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 7, 2003 (Paper No. 5), please amend the above-identified application as follows. No extension of time is believed necessary.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this *Amendment and Reply* is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on this 5 day of January, 2004.


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